(c) whether any arrangement has been made by the said institute for imparting medical/engineering courses to the students of the country; and

(d) if so, by when the said institute would start working?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Primary schools with sufficient teachers

†*218. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at national level, there are only 9.1 per cent primary schools in the country having five teachers for teaching from class one to class five;

(b) if not, the percentage thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there are some schools in the country which have not even a single teacher; and

(d) if so, the number thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) No Sir. As per District Information System of Education (DISE) there are 12% primary schools having five and more teachers, as on 30th September 2004.

(c) and (d) Yes Sir. As per District Information System of Education (DISE) there are 11227 (1.62%) primary schools in the country which did not have a teacher as on 30th September, 2004.

Universalisation of education programme

*2T9. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether Government have planned to extend the universalization of education programme up to class XII during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period; and

(b) if so, the financial allocation earmarked for the extension of the programme?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir. However, a concept note on universalization of access to and improvement of quality of secondary education has been prepared and sent to the Planning Commission.

(b) Does not arise.

Supreme Court's directions to Electricity Regulatory Commission

†220. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:
SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court have issued directions to the Electricity Regulatory Commission to the effect that power tariffs would not be increased without a court order; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the Commission's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) The Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission has informed that the Commission had filed an appeal in the Supreme Court against the Order dated 25.5.2006 of the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity. The issue was regarding payment of depreciation to the Distribution Companies for the years 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05. While the Commission had allowed depreciation at 3.75% for the years in question, the Distribution Companies had asked for 6.69% which was upheld by the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity.

The Appeal of the Commission was taken up for hearing in the Supreme Court on 13.6.2006 wherein the Court had, *inter-alia,* directed the following:

"The appellant may continue the process of determination as directed by the High Court but no final decision shall be taken without leave of this Court."

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